



TULLOW PARISH CARRICKMINES NEWSLETTER

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July/August 2019

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The Rector Writes

As we now head into July and August, we also face into peak holiday season. Most mid-week parochial activities have ceased and will resume again in the autumn.

Families with school going children are hopefully enjoying a welcome break from the frantic round of school runs and after school activities. For some, thoughts have

turned to sea-side visits, picnics and barbecues and for the luckier ones, a holiday further afield may be on the agenda. May this time of rest and relaxation allow us to regenerate our batteries and to return fully refreshed.

As I have mentioned on previous years, wherever we may find ourselves this summer, we can be assured of the warmest of welcomes if we join a local worshipping community for their Services. Here in Tullow we look forward to welcoming visitors who may be visiting friends or relatives in our area.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Beckett Walks Every Sunday 3.15pm Church Grounds

The very popular Sunday afternoon Beckett Walks start again this year on Sunday 30th June and continue every Sunday until 1st September. Organised by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Heritage Section as part of their Summer of Heritage series, the walks are led by actor Paul O'Hanrahan who is both knowledgeable and highly entertaining. Nobel Laureate Samuel Beckett is an important figure in the history of the area – hear about how the church and so many other places in Foxrock influenced his work. The walk takes about 90 minutes, starts at the church and finishes in the village.

Volunteers Needed

Do you intend going on the Beckett Walk one Sunday in August? Would you be willing to act as steward on the walk? It just means wearing a hi vis vest and walking at the back of the group to make sure people cross the road safely. Please contact Jane Bowes 086 8418138 or bowesjane91@gmail.com

Travelling Supper Saturday 7th September

The Travelling Supper is one of the most enjoyable events in the parish. It's three years since the last one so put Saturday 7th September in your diary. For those who haven't been before, starters are served in one house, main course in the next, dessert and tea and coffee in the third house. All are within walking distance of each other. The hosts this time are Bob Willis, Sandra and Leslie Ruttle, Hilary Cran and John Sharpe. Numbers are limited so book early.

Tickets €35 from Sandra 087 2344964 or Hilary 087 2216053

Joint Service with Kilternan Church Sunday 8th September 12 noon

The annual Joint Open Air Service followed by a 'Bring Your Own' picnic with parishioners of Kilternan will be held this year at Kilternan. Your support of this informal Service and social event is requested and would be very much appreciated.

Gospel Choir Saturday 9th November

A special date for your diary – the African Gospel Choir will perform in the church. This will be to celebrate 60 years since the beautiful stained-glass window behind the altar was installed and to mark the completion of the heating, lighting and electrics project. Comments about the African Gospel Choir include 'the world's most magical choir', 'there wasn't a soul you didn't touch'. Others talk about their infectious joy so definitely an evening to look forward to.

Booking details in early autumn.

Christmas Fair 30th November 2019

Over the summer please think about what you'd like to donate to the Christmas Fair and maybe start making jams and chutneys, gather bottles for the Bottle Stall and, when you're sorting your clothes, keep aside nearly new items for the pre-loved stall. Unwanted gifts, raffle prizes, books, bric à brac will all be welcome.

Full list of stall holders in the September newsletter.

NEWS

Church Refurbishment Update

Contracts are now ready to be signed for the work to be done on the interior of the church. Except for a few minor details, we have agreed with Johnson Reid, our mechanical and electrical consultants, all the basics necessary to bring the heating, lighting and electrics up to modern standards.

Within the financial constraints that the Select Vestry is comfortable with, we have planned the basics so that at a later date the 'bells & whistles' may be added.

In this context it would be possible - if/when money/donations become available - to introduce for example :

- range of audio visuals with microphone, speakers and drop down screens on either side at front of church
- CCTV which would improve security as well as protection against fraudulent claims
- intruder alarm
- data wiring & Wifi which would enable more flexibility in the use of the building

Paddy Bowes and Nigel Swanwick



Tullow Friends Outing

On June 6th, 29 of us set off to Borris House in Carlow. Having had coffee in the Step House Hotel, we walked across to Borris House where our wonderful guide gave us a very interesting history and stories of the MacMurrough Kavanagh family during a tour of the house. This was followed by lunch and shopping at the Arboretum in Leighlinbridge before heading for home. All agreed that it was one of our best trips. We are now planning our next gathering. May you all have an enjoyable summer.

Cleo Ellis Chairperson 087 2648775



Parish Golf Outing

A record number of 32 golfers participated in the annual parish golf outing held on 20 June in Rathfarnham Golf Club. The format, as in previous years, was a 'Team of 3' stableford competition with an added complexity in that each team had to play a yellow ball on each hole, the points scored with that ball to be doubled.

Christine McCluskey was the clear winner of 'Nearest the Pin' competition, few of the other competitors finding the green!! The overall winner of the team competition was the team captained by Les Ellis, which narrowly beat Chris Wojnar's team into 2nd place. Cliff Forsyth's team, comprising his daughter, Lynda Keartland, (vice-captain of RGC), and Neil Stuart coming in a credible 3rd. Due to the generosity of the attendees, all playing on the day received a prize. At 7pm 13 parishioners joined the golfers for a most enjoyable dinner and prize giving. The prizes were presented by Vera Tanner.

Terry Forsyth and Hilary Cran

Gift Day Saturday

May I sincerely thank the parishioners who have so generously contributed to the current Gift Day. A total of €12,935 has been received to date.

As you are aware, the Gift Day forms an important part of our annual fund raising to defray the operational costs of the Parish. An opportunity to contribute will continue throughout the months of June and July when further contributions will be welcome and greatly appreciated – just put your contribution in an envelope marked Gift Day and place on the collection plate at services or in the box marked Gift Day at the back of the church.

Don Beck, Honorary Treasurer

New Residents Flyer

If you have new neighbours please consider dropping a flyer about the parish in their letter box. They may be new to the area and may appreciate knowing about the parish. Flyers are available at the back of the church or contact the Rector, church wardens or tulowdublinnewsletter@gmail.com

PARISH ORGANISATION

TULLOW PARISH							
CHURCH SERVICES AND DIARY							
July and August 2019							
DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	READINGS	READERS	FLOWERS*	COFFEE
Sunday The Third Sunday after Trinity	7 th July	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	Galatians 6:1-17 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	Mary Fletcher	T.B.A.	Barbara and David Cooper
Sunday The Fourth Sunday after Trinity	14 th July	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Service of the Word	Amos 7:7-17 Luke 10:25-37	Terry Forsyth	T.B.A.	Sue and Terry Forsyth
Sunday The Fifth Sunday after Trinity	21 st July	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Amos 8:1-12 Luke 10:38-42	Hilary Cran	T.B.A.	Hilary Cran and John Sharpe
Sunday The Sixth Sunday after Trinity	28 th July	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Hosea 1:2-10 Luke 11:1-13	Ken Gregory	T.B.A.	Heather Gregory and Barbara Cooper
Sunday The Seventh Sunday after Trinity	4 th August	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21	Margaret Breadon	T.B.A.	Brigid and Richard FitzSimon
Sunday The Eighth Sunday after Trinity	11 th August	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Service of the Word	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Luke 12:32-40	Barbara Cooper	T.B.A.	Barbara and David Cooper
Sunday The Ninth Sunday after Trinity	18 th August	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Isaiah 5:1-7 Luke 12:49-56	Meta Morton	T.B.A.	Meta and Jonathan Morton
Sunday The Tenth Sunday after Trinity	25 th August	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Jeremiah 1:4-10 Luke 13:10-17	Sarah and Cameron Ruttle	T.B.A.	Ruttle Family

Sunday 8th September at 12:00noon – Joint Open Air Service followed by a 'Bring Your Own' Picnic with parishioners of Kiltarnan at Kiltarnan. Your support of this informal Service and social event is requested and would be very much appreciated.



Parish Development Worker

As recommended in the Parish Sustainability Report, we are advertising for a Parish Development Worker to help grow and develop the parish. Full details are on the parish website www.tullowdublin.org If you know anyone who may be interested please let them know – the closing date for completed applications is Friday 19th July. Please note that applications with full CVs are needed – an expression of interest via Facebook is not an application.

Outreach – Bray Women's Refuge

The Bray Women's Refuge urgently needs new pyjamas in all sizes for women and children. Please leave donations at the Outreach table at the back of the church.

Remembrance Garden

Don't forget that the right to burial in our beautifully renovated Remembrance Garden is available to parishioners for €1,500 and a limited number of spaces are available to non-parishioners at €2,500. More information is on leaflets at the back of the church or at local undertakers. Contact the Rector if you are interested.

Extract of Minutes of Select Vestry Meeting 10th June

- Thanks were expressed to all who took part in the Parish Work Day
 - Approval given for contracts to be signed by the RCB for the heating, lighting and electrics project. (Note: contracts are in the name of the RCB as owners of the church)
 - Following concerns expressed about trees on the boundary with the new nursing home, a review of the planning application took place. All trees are numbered individually and the reviewers felt that they are protected by the planning permission
 - In line with the Sustainability Report, which recommended using the church for events, a gospel choir has been booked for November
 - Also in line with the Sustainability Report, the position of Parish Development Worker has been advertised
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Shining Examples!

Our People's Churchwarden recently noted that the brass collection plates had lost their lustre. He resolved to do something about this and brought latex

gloves with him to church one Sunday morning. Another parishioner passed comment on the gloves asking what they were for. When told of their purpose he offered to share the workload and to include the large plate kept in the Sanctuary. After many hours of hard work removing old polish and re-polishing, all the plates were returned gleaming. Many thanks to Ken Gregory and Jonathan Morton for their 'sterling' work!



Badminton

The season finished at the end of May with the usual tournament and 'refreshments'. The Coloured team easily beat the Whites, who seemed more interested in the aforementioned refreshments. No one excelled, though it could earn the writer some brownie points to mention that Jane was the only member of the Whites team to win all her games. The 'craic was mighty' and we look forward to another season. All those with injuries take care - we want you back in fighting form in September. Enjoy the summer!

Paddy Bowes 086 2585194

Tullow Book Club

The Salt Path by Raynor Winn is a book that opened a window to an aspect of

homelessness and the palate of human reaction to those who find themselves in this particular predicament. The resilience of the author and her husband was inspiring.

The next book choice is the bestselling *The Light Between Oceans* by M. L. Stedman, the story of a lighthouse keeper and his wife who face a life-changing moral dilemma.

Teen Corner

By the next newsletter many of you will have received college or Leaving Cert exam results. You'll be in our thoughts and prayers but in the meantime, have a lovely long summer, the best of luck and remember your exam results do not define you as a person and/or predict your future.

William Moulton is building up a list of satisfied customers –if you would like help with weeding, grass cutting, dog walking etc contact him on 083 8252629

Website and Facebook

Many people depend on websites and social media nowadays for information so please tell your friends and families about 'Tullow Parish' on Facebook and our website www.tullowdublin.org



Parish Photographic Archive

If you're doing any sorting on the odd wet day (!) over the summer and come

across old photographs of parish activities, the church or Foxrock/Carrickmines please lend them to us – we'll scan and return the original. Email bowesjane91@gmail.com or Jane Bowes 086 8418138

The above photo is of the Magic Carpet pub in Cornelscourt, date unknown. It was formerly Connolly's Stores as mentioned in Samuel Beckett's *All that Fall*. Thanks to Eoin O'Brien for the photo which is from his book *The Beckett Country*.

Thanks are due to all these people who help to keep Tullow an active, vibrant parish. Let the Rector know if you would like to contact any of them.

Rector: Rev John Tanner 086 3021376 Lay Minister: Alan Rhodes
Rector's Church Warden: Heather Swanwick
People's Church Warden: Ken Gregory
Rector's Glebe Warden: Ernie Porter
People's Glebe Warden: Nigel Swanwick
Heating, lighting, electrics project: Paddy Bowes & Nigel Swanwick
Pastoral Assistant: Patricia Stewart
Organist: Dr Paul McNulty
Parish Treasurer: Don Beck
Select Vestry Secretary: Owen Driver
Readers & Coffee Rota: Barbara Cooper
Connect Group & Clevis Drivers Rota: Jennifer Sowman
Wednesday Coffee: June Hayes
Parish Newsletter: Jane Bowes
Parish Hall Bookings: Paul Hayes
Parish Hall Committee: Rev John Tanner, Barbara Cooper, Bob Willis, Paddy Bowes
Flower Rota: Sandra Ruttle
Badminton: Paddy Bowes
Bowls Club: Jonathan Morton
Tullow Friends: Cleo Ellis
Tullow Book Club: Vera Tanner
Altar Linens: Vera Tanner

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We would really appreciate feedback - both critical and otherwise on the email edition.

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